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C O N F I D E N T I A L STATE 155143

E.O. 11652: GDS

TAGS: MASS, IR, JO

SUBJECT: REBUILD BY IRAN OF JORDANIAN M-48 TANKS

REF: STATE 54135

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IN ACCORDANCE WITH THE FOREGOING, THE GOVERNMENT OF IRAN HEREBY GIVES ITS ASSURANCES THAT IT WILL NOT TRANSFER THE M-48 TANKS AND/OR THEIR COMPONENTS WHICH IT PROPOSES TO OBTAIN FROM THE GOVERNMENT OF JORDAN BY SALE, LEASE, RELEASE, ASSIGNMENT, LOAN, CONVEYANCE, OR ANY OTHER MEANS TO ANOTHER GOVERNMENT, INTERNATIONAL ORGANIZATION, OR PERSON EXCEPT FOR THE GOVERNMENT OF JORDAN AND THAT THE TANKS WILL BE USED ONLY FOR THE PURPOSES OF REHABILITATION (FORMAL CLOSE) END QTE. PLEASE INFORM DEPARTMENT TELEGRAPHICALLY WHEN ABOVE ASSURANCES ARE RECEIVED AND CONFIDENTIAL

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